



National Park Service  
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Ninety Six National  
Historic Site

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Superintendent's Compendium  
Of Designations, Closures, Permit  
Requirements and Other Restrictions  
Imposed Under Discretionary Authority.

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In accordance with regulations and the delegated authority provided in Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations ("36 CFR"), Chapter 1, Parts 1-7, authorized by Title 16 United States Code, Section 3, the following provisions apply to all lands and waters administered by the National Park Service, within the boundaries of Ninety Six National Historic Site (NISI). Unless otherwise stated, these regulatory provisions apply in addition to the requirements contained in 36 CFR, Chapter 1, Parts 1-7.

Written determinations, which explain the reasoning behind the Superintendent's use of discretionary authority, as required by Section 1.5(c), appear in this document identified by italicized print.

**I. 36 CFR §1.5 – VISITING HOURS, PUBLIC USE LIMITS, CLOSURES, AND AREA DESIGNATIONS FOR SPECIFIC USE OR ACTIVITIES**

(a)(1) The following visiting hours and public use limits are established for all or for the listed portions of the park, and the following closures are established for all or a portion of the park to all public use or to a certain use or activity:

Visiting Hours:

- Open Daily (7 days/week) between the hours of 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM.
- Closed for Federal Holiday Observance on Thanksgiving, Christmas & New Year's Day.
- Extended hours for special events will be posted on the park website at [www.nps.gov/nisi](http://www.nps.gov/nisi) and on the park bulletin board.

Public Use Limits:

- Public motorized vehicle traffic is limited to the main park entrance parking area from SC HWY 248, Paysinger Road, Light Horse Harry Lee Parking Area on HWY 248 and the Star Fort Pond Parking Area.

Closures:

- The park maintenance area, access road and material storage area are closed to the general public.
- The Dam at the Star Fort Pond is closed to public vehicular traffic.
- Historic Route of Charleston Road is closed to public vehicular traffic.
- Historic Route of Hard Labor Road is closed to public vehicular traffic.
- Historic Route of Island Ford Road is closed to public vehicular traffic.

**(a)(2) The following areas have been designated for a specific use or activity, under the conditions and/or restrictions as noted:**

**Equestrian Trailer Parking:**

- Horse trailers may only be parked, loaded and unloaded at the "Light Horse Harry Lee" and Star Fort Pond parking areas.

**Boat Launching Sites:**

- Boats under human power and/or electric motor only can be launched at the ramp near the fishing pier at the Star Fort Pond.

**The following restrictions and/or conditions are in effect for the specific uses or activities noted:**

**Passenger Carrying Busses:**

- Engines must be shut down when not underway.

*The idling of bus engines adds unnecessary exhaust fumes to the air and diminishes the enjoyment by visitors of the peace and tranquility of the park.*

**(a)(3) The following restrictions, limits, closures, designations, conditions, or visiting hour restrictions imposed under §§(a)(1) or (2) have been terminated:**

- N/A

## **II. 36 CFR §1.6 – ACTIVITIES THAT REQUIRE A PERMIT**

**(f) The following is a compilation of those activities for which a permit from the superintendent is required:**

- §1.5(d) The following activities related to Public Use Limits:
  - Weddings at the Logan Log Cabin and Star Fort Pond Area
  - Athletic Events
- §2.4(d) Carry or possess a trap, or net
- §2.5(a) Specimen collection (Take plant, fish, wildlife, rocks or minerals)
- §2.10(a) The following camping activities:
  - Civic Club (Boy Scout, Girl Scout, Youth Program, Etc.)
  - Camping by permit is allowed in the group camping area(s) designated at the Star Fort Pond.
- §2.12 Audio Disturbances:
  - (a)(4) Operation of a public address system in connection with a public gathering or special event for which a permit has been issued pursuant to §2.50 or §2.51
- §2.17 Aircraft & Air Delivery:
  - (a)(3) Delivery or retrieval of a person or object by parachute, helicopter or other airborne means
- §2.23(b) The following special recreation activities (per 36 CFR Part 71):
  - Fishing Tournament
- §2.37 Soliciting or demanding gifts, money goods or services (Pursuant to the terms and conditions of a permit issued under §2.50, §2.51 or §2.52)
- §2.38 Explosives:
  - (a) Use, possess, store, transport explosives, blasting agents
  - (b) Use or possess fireworks
- §2.50(a) Conduct a sports event, pageant, regatta, public spectator attraction, entertainment, ceremony, and similar events
- §2.51(a) Public assemblies, meetings, gatherings, demonstrations, parades and other public expressions of views
- §2.52(c) Sale or distribution of printer matter that is not solely commercial advertising
- §2.62 Memorialization:
  - (a) Erection of monuments (Requires approval from Regional Director)
- §4.11(a) Exceeding of established vehicle load, weight and size limits
- §5.1 Advertisements - (Display, posting or distribution.)

- §5.3 Engaging in or soliciting any business (Requires a permit, contract or other written agreement with the United States, or must be pursuant to special regulations).
- §5.5 Commercial Photography/Filming:
  - (a) Commercial filming of motion pictures or television involving the use of professional casts, settings or crews, other than bona fide newsreel or news television
  - (b) Still photography of vehicles, or other articles of commerce or models for the purpose of commercial advertising.
- §5.6(c) Use of commercial vehicles on park area roads (The superintendent shall issue a permit to access private lands within or adjacent to the park when access is otherwise not available)
- §5.7 Construction of buildings, facilities, trails, roads, boat docks, path, structure, etc.
- Part 7 Special Regulations
  - The operation of temporary food and/or beverage sales during special events requires a commercial use permit.
  - Non-profit organizations do not have to obtain a CUA for temporary food and/or beverage sales as long as the organization states in writing that it will not derive any taxable income from the activities it performs in the park and must show proof of non-profit status. Non-profit organizations are required to obtain special use permits per the special use permit guidance.

### **III. GENERAL REGULATIONS**

#### **36 CFR §2.1 – PRESERVATION OF NATURAL, CULTURAL AND ARCHEOLOGICAL RESOURCES**

**(a)(1–6) Possessing, destroying, injuring, defacing, removing, digging, or disturbing any natural or cultural object, flora or fauna, or any archeological site or artifact is strictly prohibited.**

**(a)(4) Dead wood on the ground may be collected for use as fuel for campfires within the park in the following areas:**

- Gather of wood to be used on site for fires in designated grills is limited to dead material on the ground.
- Wood may not be gathered from standing trees/plants or cutting of downed trees.

**(c)(1), (c)(2) The following fruits, nuts, berries or unoccupied seashells may be gathered by hand for personal use or consumption, in accordance with the noted size, quantity, collection sites and/or use or consumption restrictions:**

No more than 2 gallons per family/per day of the following may be gathered by the general public for personal use:

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| • Apples         | • Peaches                   |
| • Blackberries   | • Pecans                    |
| • Blueberries    | • Persimmons                |
| • Chestnuts      | • Plums                     |
| • Concord Grapes | • Scuppernongs / Muscadines |
| • Mulberries     | • Walnuts                   |
| • Strawberries   | • Mushrooms                 |

#### **36 CFR §2.2 - WILDLIFE PROTECTION**

**(d) The transporting of lawfully taken wildlife through the park is permitted under the following conditions and procedures:**

- Wildlife is taken lawfully under SCDNR regulations outside of park boundary.

**(e) The following areas are closed to the viewing of wildlife with the use of an artificial light:**

- All areas within the park boundary are closed to the viewing of wildlife with the use of artificial light unless expressly exempted in a special use permit (scientific) or nuisance/invasive species management program.

#### **36 CFR §2.3 – FISHING**

**(a) The following State fishing laws and/or regulations, as noted, do not apply in the listed areas:**

- All state laws apply to fishing at the Star Fort Pond.
- Fishing hours and days are determined and posted by the SCDNR.
- Days and hours of fishing are Wed, Fri & Sat. 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset.

- Designated fishing season at the Star Fort Pond is April 1 – Oct. 31

**(d)(2) Possession or use of live or dead minnows or other bait fish, amphibian, non-preserved fish eggs or roe is permitted in the following fresh water areas:**

- The possession and use of minnows as bait is prohibited.
- The possession and use of other natural baits and artificial lures is permitted.

**(d)(4) In accordance with federal statutory law, commercial fishing is authorized in the following areas, under the conditions noted:**

- Commercial Fishing is not authorized

### **36 CFR §2.4 – WEAPONS, TRAPS, AND NETS**

**(a)(2)(i) Weapons, traps, or nets may only be carried, possessed or used at the following designated times and locations:**

- Possessing a trap or net in the park is prohibited except for employees in performance of their duties or researchers who are park authorized.
- Black powder weapons utilized by authorized individuals for interpretive, living history and re-enactment purposes are allowed after inspection by park black powder safety officer.
- BB Guns, slingshots, bows, blow guns, swords, etc. are prohibited from use within the park unless part of a historic weapons interpretive demonstration.
- **Section 512 of the Credit Card Accountability Responsibility and Disclosure Act of 2009, P.L. 111-24, 123 Stat. 1764-65, allows persons to possess firearms while in units of the National Park and National Wildlife Refuge Systems if they are in compliance with applicable federal and state law. Specifically, Section 512(b) states:**

The Secretary of the Interior shall not promulgate or enforce any regulation that prohibits an individual from possessing a firearm including an assembled or functional firearm in any unit of the National Park System or the National Wildlife Refuge System if-- (1) the individual is not otherwise prohibited by law from possessing the firearm; and (2) the possession of the firearm is in compliance with the law of the State in which the unit of the National Park System or the National Wildlife Refuge System is located.

### **WARNING: FIREARMS PROHIBITED In FEDERAL FACILITIES**

Federal law prohibits the possession of a firearm or other dangerous weapon in Federal facilities unless specifically authorized. 18 USC 930(a) possession violations are subject to fine and/or imprisonment up to one year, while 18 USC 930(b) possession violations with intent to commit a crime are punishable by a fine and imprisonment up to five years.

- "Facilities" covered under this provision include the Visitor Center, Administration Building, Maintenance Building and Logan Log House.
- Historic Weapons (Black Powder) used for interpretation purposes only, may be stored, transported, cleaned, prepared and displayed in park facilities.

### **36 CFR §2.10 – CAMPING and FOOD STORAGE**

**(a) The sites and areas listed below have been designated for camping activities as noted. A permit system has been established for certain campgrounds or camping activities, and conditions for camping and camping activities are in effect as noted:**

- Camping is only allowed by special permit.
- Special permits for camping will be evaluated on a case by case basis.
- Special Use permits will outline specific camping restrictions and areas.

## **36 CFR §2.11 – PICNICKING**

### **Conditions for Picnicking:**

- Picnics are allowed throughout the park in designated picnic areas and the area between the Stockade Fort and the Visitor Center parking area.
- All fires must be contained within barbeque grills or portable stoves.
- Parties of more than 15 people must obtain a special use permit.

## **36 CFR 2.13 – FIRES**

**(a)(1) The lighting or maintaining of fires is generally prohibited, except as provided for in the following designated areas and/or receptacles, and under the conditions noted:**

### **Designated Areas:**

- Fires are allowed by public only in designated picnic areas within BBQ grills and portable stoves.
- Interpretive living historians, re-enactors and staff may have ground fires only after inspection by the safety officer and during park sponsored special events.
- Fires are allowed within the "bee hive" oven outside the Logan Log Cabin, and in the fireplace when supervised by NPS staff and conducted for interpretation purposes.

### **Receptacles Allowed:**

- Public fires may only take place within BBQ grills and portable stoves in picnic areas.

### **Established Conditions for Fires:**

- Upon receipt of notice from the South Carolina Forestry Commission or the Fire Notification Center of NPS of high fire danger weather, fires will be prohibited in the park without prior public notice.
- Fires will not be left unattended by interpretive personnel.
- Fires in the fireplace and/or bee hive oven at the Logan Log House MUST have authorized personnel monitoring at ALL times.
- A fully charged fire extinguisher must be examined each time a fire is utilized at the Logan Log House and immediately accessible.

**(a)(2) The following restrictions are in effect for the use of stoves or lanterns:**

- Lanterns and luminaries are restricted to use only during park sponsored special events.

**(b) Fires must be extinguished according to the following conditions:**

- All fires shall be fully extinguished by the visitor prior to vacating the picnic site.
- All interpretive fires must be fully extinguished using sand, dirt or water when not supervised.
- The user is responsible for removing from the park or properly and safely disposing of the coals and other remains of the fire.

### **36 CFR §2.14 – SANITATION and REFUSE**

**(a)(2) The use of government refuse receptacles or facilities for dumping household, commercial or industrial refuse, brought as such from private or municipal property is allowed under the following conditions:**

- Disposal of household waste, commercial or industrial waste or building materials at any location in the park is prohibited.
- Depositing refuse in other than a refuse receptacle is prohibited.

### **36 CFR §2.15 – PETS**

**(a)(1) The following structures and/or areas are closed to the possession of pets:**

- No pets other than Assistance Animals will be allowed in the park's Visitor Center or other facilities.
- All pets must be restrained on a leash with a maximum length of 6 feet while on park property

**(a)(3) Pets may be left unattended and tied to an object in the following areas, under the conditions noted:**

- Pets may not be left unattended while on park property.
- Pets found unattended will be subject to confinement by Animal Control.

**(a)(5) Pet excrement must be disposed of in accordance with the following conditions:**

- Pet owners will be held responsible for handling and disposing of pet excrement in the following areas: Star Fort, cemetery, park interpretive walking trails, road sides, picnic area, all parking areas, and on the Visitor Center grounds.
- Excrement must be removed at least 20 feet from the above-cited areas and deposited in adjacent woods/bushes.

### **36 CFR §2.16 – HORSES and PACK ANIMALS**

**(b) The use of horses or pack animals is allowed on the following trails, routes or areas:**

- Horseback riding will be allowed on designated equestrian trails in the park.
- Horseback riding is not allowed on paved interpretive trails or within the Visitor Center and battlefield areas.

**(g) Other conditions concerning the use of horses or pack animals:**

- Horse trailers may only be parked at the "Light Horse Harry Lee and Star Fort Pond Parking Areas" located on HWY 248
- Riders will be responsible for handling and disposing of horse excrement. Disposal shall mean removal to woods/brush at least 20 feet off park trails or other developments through which a rider may pass in the park.
- Horses are not allowed on bridges within the park.

### **36 CFR §2.17 – AIRCRAFT and AIR DELIVERY**

**(c)(1) The removal of a downed aircraft, components, or parts thereof is subject to procedures established by the Superintendent through written authorization.**



### **36 CFR §2.20 – SKATING, SKATEBOARDS and SIMILAR DEVICES**

The use of roller skates, skateboards, roller skis, coasting vehicles, or similar devices are allowed only in the following areas:

- Not Allowed

### **36 CFR §2.21 – SMOKING**

(a) The following portions of the park, or all or portions of buildings, structures or facilities are closed to smoking as noted:

- Smoking is prohibited in ALL park facilities including the Visitor Center, Maintenance Shop, Administrative Offices, Logan Log House, Stockade Fort, and in all park vehicles/ equipment.
- No smoking within 50 feet of any building entrance, monument or exhibit.
- Cigarette butts, or other tobacco products must be disposed of properly- extinguished and put into appropriate receptacles.

### **36 CFR §2.22 – PROPERTY**

(a)(2) Property may be left unattended for periods longer than 24 hours in the following areas and under the following conditions:

- Vehicles left for more than 24 hours will be towed at owner's expense.
- Unattended property that interferes with visitor safety, orderly management of the park area, or presents a perceived threat and/or nuisance to park resources or visitors may be impounded at the discretion of the Superintendent or designated law enforcement personnel at any time.

### **36 CFR §2.23 – RECREATION FEES**

(b) Recreation fees, and/or a permit, in accordance with 36 CFR part 71, are established for the following entrance fee areas, and/or for the use of the following specialized sites, facilities, equipment or services, or for participation in the following group activity, recreation events or specialized recreation uses:

#### **Entrance Fee Areas:**

- Ninety Six National Historic Site does not charge an entrance fee.

#### **Daily Site Use Fee Areas:**

- Ninety Six National Historic Site does not charge day use fees.

#### **Special Recreation Permit Fee:**

- Some areas, uses and events require a Special Park Use Permit which may include an application fee and or use fee as outlined in the Special Park Use Fee Schedule which can be obtained at the park visitor center or on line at <http://www.nps.gov/nisi/planyourvisit/permits.htm>

### **36 CFR §2.35 –ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES and CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES**

**(a)(3)(i) The following public use areas, portions of public use areas, and/or public facilities within the park are closed to consumption of alcoholic beverages, and/or to the possession of a bottle, can or other receptacle containing an alcoholic beverage that is open, or has been opened, or whose seal has been broken or the contents of which have been partially removed:**

- Consumption of alcoholic beverages within park buildings and on park trails is prohibited.
- Consumption of alcoholic beverages within the "Logan Log House", "Star Fort" & "Stockade Fort" interpretive area(s) is prohibited.
- Beer kegs are not allowed within the boundary of the park.
- The possession, use, sale, or distribution of any illegal controlled substance is prohibited.
- The possession, use, sale, or distribution of any legal controlled substance is prohibited unless licensed medical personnel prescribe the use of the substance.

### **36 CFR §2.38 – EXPLOSIVES**

**(b) Fireworks and firecrackers may be possessed and/or used in the following areas, under the conditions noted:**

- The use and possession of fireworks in the park is prohibited.

### **36 CFR §2.62 – MEMORIALIZATION**

**(b) A permit is required for the scattering of ashes from cremated human remains, or in the following designated areas without a permit, in accordance with the following terms and conditions:**

- Scattering of ashes from cremated human remains within the park is prohibited.

### **36 CFR §3.6 – BOATING OPERATIONS**

**(d)(1) Vessels may not create a wake or exceed 5 mph in the following areas:**

- All areas of Star Fort Pond.

**(h) The following areas/sites are designated for the launching or recovery of vessels using a trailer:**

- Star Fort Pond Launch area.

**(l) Vessels must meet the following size, length or width restrictions:**

- Electric or human power only. No gasoline or petroleum fueled motors are allowed.

### **36 CFR §3.21 – SWIMMING AND BATHING**

**(a)(1) The following areas are closed to swimming and bathing:**

- The Star Fort Pond is closed to swimming.

### **36 CFR §4.10 – TRAVEL ON PARK ROADS AND ROUTES**

**(a) Park roads open for travel by motor vehicle are those indicated below, and/or as indicated in the following publication or document (attached hereto):**

- All roads are open with the exception of those listed in section 36 CFR §1.5 above.

**36 CFR §4.30 – BICYCLES**

**(a) Park roads and parking areas that are closed to bicycle use are listed in section 1.5 of this document.**

**NOTE:** All the prohibitions and regulations promulgated in Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) relating to parks in general apply to Ninety Six National Historic Site, except those areas and times specified by the superintendent as exceptions to the regulations